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Serial No. 10/028,269) Group Art Unit: 2822
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, Applicant submits herewith a Form PTO-1449 listing references known to Applicant and requests that these references be made of record in the above identified application. Copies of the references listed are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

U.S. Patents 5,308,998, 5,913,112, 5,650,338 and 5,962,870 are in the family of JP 05-114724.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), it is certified that the Japanese references were either (1) each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement, or (2) no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application and no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37

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Respectfully submitted,



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